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FOR THE SECRETARY

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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S MEETING WITH TZOUNIS ON CRETE: GREEK FOLLOW-UP

1. TZOUNIS SPOKE WITH DCM THIS MORNING AND ADVISED HIM THAT GREEK GOVERNMENT HAD STILL NOT RPT NOT RECEIVED MESSAGE FROM DEMIREL WHICH CAGLAYANGIL HAD TOLD GREEK AMBASSADOR IN ANKARA WOULD BE DISPATCHED TO CARAMANLIS. TZOUNIS RECALLED THAT SECRETARY HAD REQUESTED THAT HE BE INFORMED EARLY THIS WEEK ON STATUS OF DEMIREL MESSAGE SINCE HE INTENDED TO COMMUNICATE WITH CAGLAYANGIL PRIOR TO NATO MINISTERIAL IN OSLO.

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2. TZOUNIS OBSERVED THAT GOG DID NOT RPT NOT KNOW WHAT

DEMIREL INTENDED TO SAY IN HIS MESSAGE TO CARAMANLIS, BUT ASSUMED IT WOULD DEAL WITH THE POSSIBILITY OF CARAMANLIS-DEMIREL MEETING TO DISCUSS CURRENT PROBLEMS. TZOUNIS ADDED THAT THE GOG WOULD APPRECIATE THE SECRETARY'S HELP BEFORE OSLO MEETING IN PERSUADING TURKISH GOVERNMENT OF NEED TO BEGIN SERIOUS DIALOGUE WITH GOG TO RESOLVE CURRENT PROBLEMS. HE SAID THAT A MEETING BETWEEN BITSIOS AND CAGLAYANGIL WAS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR MAY 22 FOLLOWING THE SECRETARY'S MEETINGS WITH BOTH FOREIGN MINISTERS. AS TZOUNIS HAD MENTIONED TO THE SECRETARY IN CRETE, THERE WAS, IN THE GREEK VIEW, A POSSIBILITY OF MAKING PROGRESS ON CYPRUS IF DENKTASH COULD BE PERSUADED TO MAKE A SPECIFIC PROPOSAL ON TERRITORY IN THE CONTEXT OF THE INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS.

3. DCM ASSURED TZOUNIS THAT THESE VIEWS WOULD BE CONVEYED TO THE SECRETARY.
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